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FOR OAU SUMMIT

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PARIS FOR AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT CHONA'S STATEMENT IS A MOST
USEFUL VEHICLE FOR ADVANCING OUR JOINT OBJECTIVES DURING
THE OAU MEETINGS. IT IS COMPLEMENTARY TO OUR OWN AP-
PROACHES TO AFRICAN LEADERS AND PROVIDES THE BEST FORMULA-
TION FOR A WORKABLE SETTLEMENT THAT WE CAN PRESENTLY FORE-
SEE BEING ACCEPTED BY ALL PARTIES.

2. WE AGREE WITH YOUR OBSERVATION THAT OBJECTIVE (E) IS A
BIT FUZZY IN FORMULATION. OUR BELIEF IS THAT (E) SHOULD
PERHAPS BE SPLIT UP, WITH A SENTENCE ADDED TO OBJECTIVE

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(C) STATING THERE SHOULD BE INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION OF

THE CEASE-FIRE AND FOREIGN WITHDRAWAL THAT WILL COME BEFORE
AND BE UNCONNECTED WITH AFRICA'S POLITICAL EFFORTS TO
ARRANGE A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY.(E) COULD THEN
CONCERN ITSELF WITH AN OUTLINE OF THE ROLE THE OAU WOULD

ALONE ASSUME TO FORGE A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY.
THIS FORMULATION SERVES THE MORE IMPORTANT OBJECTIVE OF
BOTH ZAMBIA AND THE US OF ENDING FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT BY
NOT TYING THIS GOAL, WHICH MAY BE ACHIEVABLE, TO THE
MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TASK OF FORMING
A GOVERNMENT FROM THE THREE FACTIONS. WE BELIEVE THIS
LATTER GOAL IS A PROPER ONE FOR THE OAU TO UNDERTAKE.

3. YOU MAY TELL CHONA WE ARE CONSIDERING HIS SUGGESTION
THAT WE SEND A MESSAGE TO THE OAU SECRETARY GENERAL TO
BE READ AT THE OAU SUMMIT. WE SEE MUCH MERIT TO HIS IDEA
AND WILL INFORM HIM BEFORE THE SUMMIT WHAT ACTION WE WILL
TAKE ON IT. INGERSOLL

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